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**BRASS KNOB MISSION 3404**  
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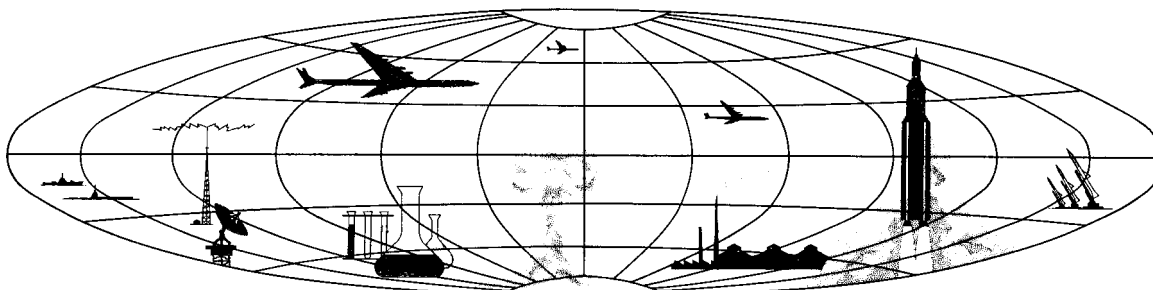
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IMMEDIATE PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION REPORT

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB MISSION 3404, DATED 3 FEBRUARY 1963. THE NUMBER APPEARING AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE IS THE COMOR TARGET NUMBER.

-MISSILES-

SAN CRISTOBAL MRBM SITE 1 2240N 08317W

25X

ARCH-ROOFED BUILDING REMAINS. ONE OTHER BUILDING ALSO REMAINS. NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OR ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

25X1D

SAN CRISTOBAL MRBM SITE 3 2242N 08308W

25X

ARCH-ROOFED BUILDING REMAINS. NO TENTS, VEHICLES, EQUIPMENT OR ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

25X1D

SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 1 2243N 08001W

25X

NO APPARENT CHANGE.

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SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 2 2239N 07951W

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NO EQUIPMENT OBSERVED. CONCRETE ARCHES REMAIN.

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REMEDIOS IRBM SITE 2225N 07935W

25X1

25X1D

NO VEHICLES OR EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

BARTOLOME, SUSPECT SSM ACTIVITY 2226N 07934W

25X1

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE.

SALAMANCA (REMEDIOS AREA) SUSP SSM ACTIVITY 2227N 07940W

25X1

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE.

SAN JULIAN AIRFIELD SAM SITE 2205N 08409W

25X1

25X1D

SITE CONTAINS 6 LAUNCHERS (4 CANVAS-COVERED) AND 3 CANVAS-COVERED HOLD AREAS WITH TWO MISSILE TRANSPORTERS VISIBLE. GUIDANCE AREA IS OCCUPIED AND PARTIALLY CANVAS COVERED.

LA COLOMA SAM SITE 2218N 08332W

25X1

25X1D

SITE CONTAINS 6 OCCUPIED LAUNCH POSITIONS AND AT LEAST 5 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS IN HOLD POSITIONS. GUIDANCE AREA IS OCCUPIED.

CIENFUEGOS SAM SITE 2202N 08024W

25X1

25X1D

SITE INCLUDES 6 LAUNCHERS (FOUR WITH PROBABLE MISSILES), CANVAS-COVERED GUIDANCE AREA, AND 4 PROBABLE CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS IN THE THREE HOLD REVETMENTS.

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SAGUA LA GRANDE SAM SITE 2251N 08005W

25X1

SIX LAUNCHERS IN REVETTED POSITIONS. GUIDANCE AREA APPEARS COMPLETE AND IS CANVAS COVERED. NUMEROUS VEHICLES/PIECES OF EQUIPMENT AND TWO PROBABLE MISSILE TRANSPORTERS PARKED UNDER TREES.

25X1D

CAIBARIEN SAM SITE 2228N 07929W

25X

LAUNCHERS ARE IN 6 UNRETTED POSITIONS. HOLD POSITIONS ARE CANVAS-COVERED AND GUIDANCE EQUIPMENT IS PARTIALLY COVERED.

25X1D

SANCTI SPIRITUS SAM SITE 2147N 07929W

25X

SITE CONTAINS 6 MISSILES ON LAUNCHERS, 7 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS IN HOLD POSITIONS, AND RADAR IN GUIDANCE AREA.

25X1D

SIGUANE SAM SITE 2137N 08257W

25X

SITE INCLUDES 6 LAUNCH POSITIONS (3 REVETTED AND OCCUPIED, 2 SEMI-RETTED, ONE UNRETTED AND CANVAS-COVERED), CANVAS-COVERED GUIDANCE AREA, AND ONE POSSIBLE MISSILE TRANSPORTER.

25X1D

CHAMBAS SAM SITE 2213N 07853W

25

THREE LAUNCHERS (2 COVERED AND ONE WITH A POSSIBLE MISSILE) AND 6 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS IN 2 HOLD POSITIONS ARE VISIBLE. FOUR BARRACKS BUILDINGS ARE VISIBLE AT ADJACENT SUPPORT AREA. SCATTERED CLOUDS AND HAZE PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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DELEITE SAM SITE 2259N 08045W

25X1

FIVE LAUNCHERS IN REVETMENTS (4 CANVAS COVERED) 3  
MISSILE TRANSPORTERS IN HOLD POSITION, 3 MISSILE  
TRANSPORTERS OUTSIDE OF HOLD POSITION. GUIDANCE  
REVETMENT IS CANVAS COVERED.

25X1D

DELEITE ALTERNATE SAM SITE 2301N 08044W

25X1

NO APPARENT CHANGE.

25X1D

PINAR DEL RIO SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2221N 08339W

25X1

SITE CONTAINS 30 MISSILE CANISTERS, 20 EMPTY MISSILE  
TRANSPORTERS, AND 6 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE  
TRANSPORTERS WITH PROBABLE MISSILES.

25X1D

SIGUANEA CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2137N 08258W

25X1

TWO CANVAS-COVERED LAUNCH POSITIONS, 3 POSSIBLE  
MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AND SEVERAL CANVAS-COVERED  
OBJECTS OBSERVED.  
ONE PF OBSERVED IN SHIP BASIN.

25X1D

LA SIERRA CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2156N 08019W

25X1

NO APPARENT CHANGE.

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-AIRFIELDS-

CAMILO CIENFUEGOS AIRFIELD 2229N 07955W

25X1

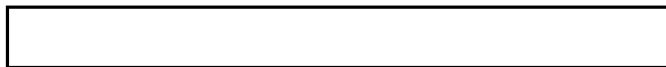
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25X1D

AIRCRAFT -- 44 FIGHTER-TYPE AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.  
OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.



SIGUANEA AIRFIELD 2138N 08257W

25X1



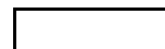
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AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.  
SCATTERED CLOUDS AND HAZE PRECLUDE FURTHER  
INTERPRETATION.



SAN JULIAN AIRFIELD 2206N 08409W

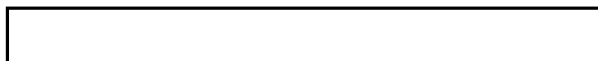
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AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.  
BOTH RUNWAYS ARE SERVICEABLE. 25 WHITE OBJECTS,  
APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED] AND APPARENTLY CYLINDRICAL IN  
SHAPE ARE LOCATED IN TWO ROWS AT EAST END OF  
MAINTENANCE AREA. FOUR DARKER OBJECTS, SIMILAR IN  
SIZE AND SHAPE, ARE LOCATED IN SAME AREA.  
APPROXIMATELY 125 VEHICLES AND PIECES OF EQUIPMENT  
OBSERVED.

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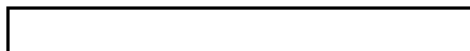
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25X



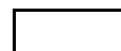
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AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.  
RUNWAY CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES. HEAVY CLOUDS PRECLUDE  
FURTHER INTERPRETATION.



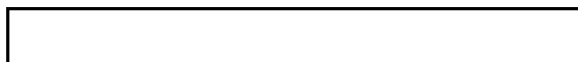
JAIME GONZALES AIRFIELD 2209N 08025W

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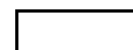
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AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.



PINAR DEL RIO AIRFIELD 2225N 08341W

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AIRCRAFT -- 2 LIAISON AND ONE COLT.

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[REDACTED]

-PORTS-

PUNTA ALEGRE PORT 2223N 07847W

25X1

[REDACTED]

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

CIENFUEGOS PORT 2209N 08027W

25X1

[REDACTED]

VESSELS -- 2 FREIGHTERS, 2 MEDIUM TANKERS, 2 SMALL TANKERS, 4 PT BOATS, AND ONE SMALL PC. NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

NUEVA GERONA PORT 2153N 08248W

25X

[REDACTED]

VESSELS -- ONE PROBABLE PC. HEAVY CLOUDS PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

LA ISABELA PORT 2256N 08001W

25X

[REDACTED]

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

CAIBARIEN PORT 2232N 07928W

25X

[REDACTED]

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

CARDENAS PORT 2302N 08112W

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[REDACTED]

VESSELS -- NONE. NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

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CASILDA PORT 2145N 07959W

25X1D

NO LARGE VESSELS OBSERVED. OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES  
FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

MATANZAS PORT 2303N 08134W

25X1D

VESSELS -- 5 FREIGHTERS.  
OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

LA COLOMA PORT 2214N 08334W

25X1D

VESSELS -- NUMEROUS SMALL CRAFT.

25X1D

CABANAS PORT 2259N 08256W

25X1D

VESSELS -- ONE CARGO VESSEL OBSERVED.

25X1D

-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

PINAR DEL RIO, MILITARY CAMP 2223N 08342W

25X1D

APPROXIMATELY 65 VEHICLES OBSERVED.

25X1D

LAS VILLAS AREA OF SPECIAL INTEREST 2146N 07959W

25X1D

NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY NOTED.

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MATANZAS LANDING BEACH 2301N 08126W

25X10

25X1D

NO NEW MILITARY OR UNUSUAL ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

VARADERO LANDING BEACH 2308N 08118W

25X1

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NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY NOTED.

CIENFUEGOS LANDING BEACH 2202N 08036W

25X1

25X1D

NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

MAR VERDE, LANDING BEACH 1957N 07557W

25X

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE.

ENSENADA COLORADO, LANDING BEACH 2202N 08025W

25X

25X1D

NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

PLAYA DE FLAMENCOS, LANDING BEACH 2153N 08243W

25X

25X1D

NO MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

MENDOZA O ISABEL RUBIO TRANSSHIPMENT POINT 2209N 08405W

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25X1D

NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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-UNIDENTIFIED ACTIVITY-

LA ROSITA AREA, STORAGE INSTALLATION 2208N 08004W

25X1

AN L-SHAPED BUILDING IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION BETWEEN THE FABRICATION-TYPE BUILDINGS AND THE 6 REVETTED BUILDINGS. THIS NEW BUILDING IS ROOFED. PARALLEL TO THE LONG SIDE OF THIS BUILDING AND CONNECTED TO ITS SHORT SIDE IS AN EXTREMELY LONG, NARROW, PROBABLE BUILDING UNDER CONSTRUCTION. A POL TANK IS LOCATED BETWEEN THE FABRICATION-TYPE BUILDINGS AND THE NEW UNIDENTIFIED CONSTRUCTION.

25X1D

MANICARAGUA AREA, EXPLOSIVES STORAGE SITE 2206N 07958W

25X1

NO APPARENT CHANGE.

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AGUAS CLARAS, PROB MILITARY EQUIPMENT AREA 2213N 08323W

25X

NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OR ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

25X1D

MESTANZA, EXPLOSIVES STORAGE SITE 2228N 08347W

TWO ADJOINING FENCED AREAS, EACH CONTAINING ONE EARTH-COVERED/REvetTED EXPLOSIVES STORAGE BUILDING. NEW ROAD CONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENT IN AREA.

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-STATUS OF OTHER TARGETS-

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MISSION 3404 DOES NOT COVER ANY TARGETS EAST  
OF 78 DEGREES 30 MINUTES WEST LONGITUDE.

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS COULD BE IDENTIFIED  
BUT NOT INTERPRETED --

SANTO TOMAS AREA, SUSPECT SSM ACTIVITY  
BELLAMAR, SUSPECT SSM ACTIVITY  
MATANZAS CITY, LA CUMBRE ALTA  
CASILDA, MISSILE EQUIPMENT AREA  
SANTA LUCIA SAM SITE  
MATANZAS SAM SITE  
CIEGO DE AVILA SAM SITE  
CIEGO DE AVILA SAM ASSEMBLY AREA  
CIFUENTES SAM ASSEMBLY AREA  
SANTA LUCIA ALTERNATE SAM SITE  
SANTA CRUZ DEL NORTE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE  
CORONEL PASCUAL AIRFIELD  
TRINIDAD AIRFIELD  
SANTA LUCIA PORT  
BAHIA HONDA PORT  
PUNTA GERARDO, SECURED PORT FACILITY  
BAHIA HONDA AREA, MILITARY CAMP  
REMEDIOS AREA, MILITARY CAMP  
SANTA CLARA AREA, MILITARY ACTIVITY  
LIMONAR AREA, MILITARY CAMP  
PLAYA COLOMBO, LANDING BEACH  
SANTA CLARA AREA, MILITARY INSTALLATION  
SANTA BRIGIDA, MILITARY ACTIVITY

2233N 08351W  
2302N 08133W  
2304N 08133W  
2146N 07958W  
2241N 08355W  
2301N 08129W  
2142N 07850W  
2151N 07844W  
2236N 08005W  
2243N 08349W  
2309N 08156W  
2307N 08117W  
2147N 07959W  
2240N 08358W  
2255N 08311W  
2256N 08311W  
2258N 08311W  
2227N 07934W  
2221N 07957W  
2255N 08124W  
2154N 08240W  
2224N 07953W  
2304N 08137W

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THE FOLLOWING TARGETS WERE NOT COVERED, OR  
WERE NOT OBSERVED BECAUSE OF ADVERSE WEATHER  
OR OTHER CONDITIONS --

LOMA DE TIERRA, MILITARY CAMP  
GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 1  
SAN CRISTOBAL MRBM SITE 4  
GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 2  
MARIEL SAM SITE  
BAHIA HONDA SAM SITE  
HAVANA SAM SITE  
ESMERALDA SAM SITE  
SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS SAM ASSEMBLY AREA  
CAMPO FLORIDA CRUISE-MISSILE SITE

2301N 08213W  
2257N 08239W  
2246N 08258W  
2257N 08236W  
2300N 08249W  
2257N 08317W  
2309N 08213W  
2155N 07813W  
2257N 08221W  
2306N 08211W

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GUERRA POSSIBLE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE  
 SAN ANTONIO DE LOS BANOS AIRFIELD  
 JOSE MARTI INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD  
 CAMPO LIBERTAD AIRFIELD  
 MARIEL NAVAL AIR STATION  
 PLAYA BARACOA AIRFIELD  
 MANAGUA AIRFIELD  
 CAYO LARGO AIRFIELD  
 MARIEL PORT  
 SURGIDERO DE BATABAND PORT  
 HAVANA PORT  
 HAVANA AREA, COMMUNICATIONS CENTER  
 LA FLORA AREA, MILITARY STORAGE  
 ARTEMISA, MILITARY CAMP  
 LA BOCA, MILITARY CAMP  
 CABANAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP  
 MINAS, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA  
 HAVANA, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA  
 SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP  
 SAN JOSE DE LAS LAJAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP  
 TORRENS, MILITARY COMPLEX  
 MANAGUA, MILITARY CAMP  
 SPECIAL AREA ALPHA  
 SPECIAL AREA HOTEL  
 SPECIAL AREA BRAVO BLUE  
 SPECIAL AREA BRAVO RED  
 SPECIAL AREA VICTOR  
 SPECIAL AREA TANGO  
 TARARA AREA, LANDING BEACH  
 SAN FRANCISCO DE PAULA, MUNITIONS STORAGE  
 MANAGUA, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITE  
 BEJUCAL MUNITIONS STORAGE SITES

2300N 08250W  
 2252N 08231W  
 2300N 08224W  
 2306N 08226W  
 2300N 08246W  
 2302N 08235W  
 2258N 08217W  
 2137N 08133W  
 2301N 08245W  
 2241N 08218W  
 2308N 08221W  
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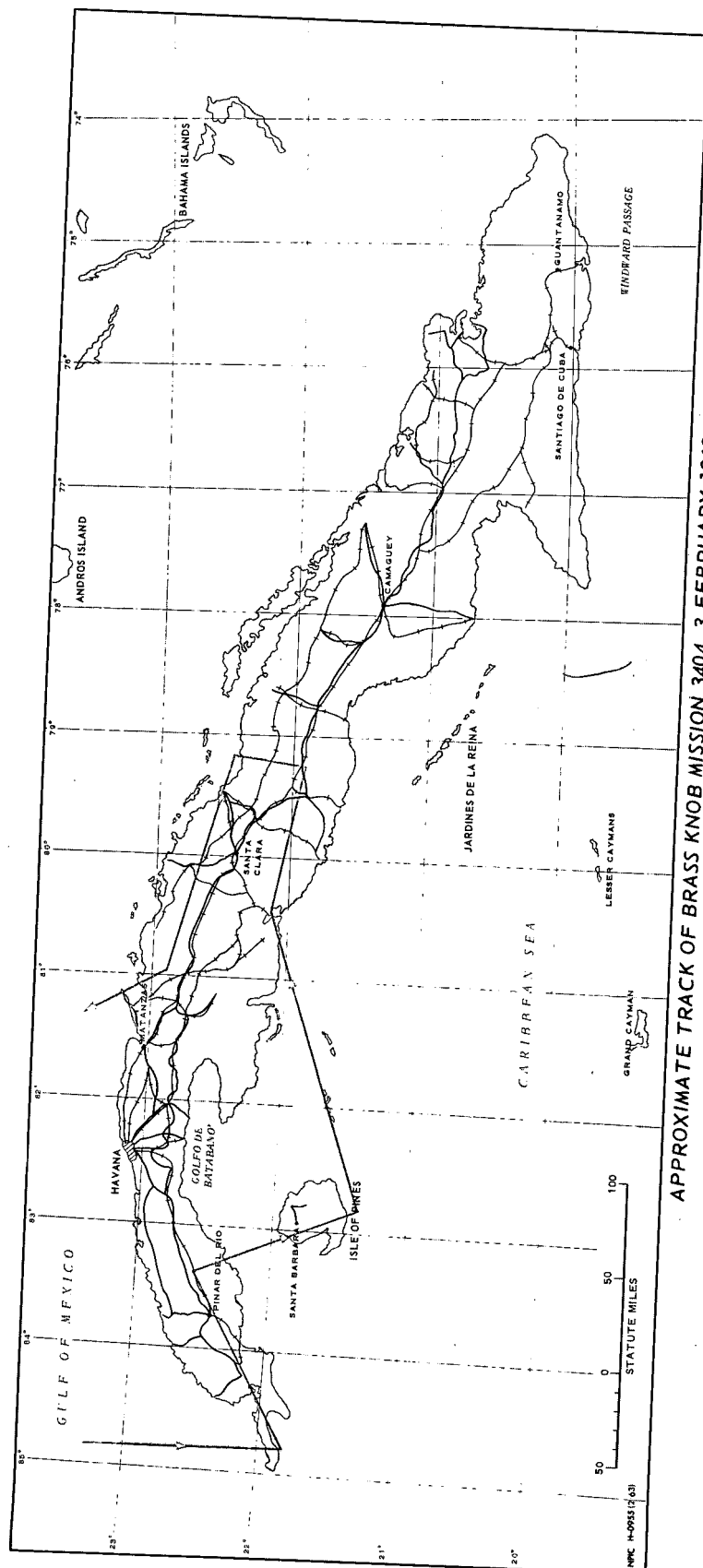
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